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## **UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

## **BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:



[]	Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application <b>NOT BE PUBLISHED</b> under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.			
[]	Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure _ for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.			
Also	enclosed are:			
[X]	16 sheet(s) of [ ] formal [X] informal drawing(s);			
[]	a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 is [ ] hereby made to filed in _ on _;			
	[ ] in the declaration;			
[]	a certified copy of the priority document;			
[]	a General Authorization for Petitions for Extensions of Time and Payment of Fees;			
[]	an Assignment document;			
[]	an Information Disclosure Statement;			
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[]	Other:			
[X]	An [ ] executed [X] unexecuted declaration of the inventor(s)			
	[X] also is enclosed [ ] will follow.			
[]	Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentenceThis application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and/or 365 to _ filed in _ on _; the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference			
[]	Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentenceThis application is a continuation of International Application No filed on _, which designates the United States			
[]	Small entity status is hereby claimed.			



[X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [ ] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

	No. Of	C L A I	EXTRA		
	CLAIMS		CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$710.00 (101)
Total Claims	81	MINUS 20 =	61	× \$18.00 (103) =	1,098.00
Independent Claims	27	MINUS 3 =	24	× \$80.00 (102) =	1,920.00
If multiple dependent cla	ims are prese	ented, add \$270.00	(104)		
Total Application Fee				•	
If small entity status is cl	aimed, subtr	act 50% of Total A	pplication Fe	ee	
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TOTAL APPLICATIO	N FEE DUE	5 4 A 1 TO 1840			3,728.00

[]	This application is being filed without a filing fee.	Issuance of a Notice to File Missing
	Parts of Application is respectfully requested.	

- [ ] A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed for the fee due.
- [X] Charge \$ 3.728.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800 for the fee due.
- The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. [X] §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

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